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## BARBADOS.

*Report from Bridgetown—Inspection of vessels—Sanitary conditions—Status of yellow fever.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon Urquhart reports, April 3:

Week ended April 3. Bills of health issued to 8 vessels having a total of 41 passengers and 422 members of crews.

The sanitary condition of vessels, cargoes, crews, and passengers, good.

Three new cases of yellow fever were reported during the week, with 2 deaths. All occurred in the country.

## BRAZIL.

*Report from Rio de Janeiro—Inspection of vessels—Mortality—Plague and smallpox—Plague in Chile.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon Stewart reports, March 18:

Week ended March 14. Vessels inspected and issued bills of health: March 12, the British steamship *Queen Eleanor*, for New Orleans and New York, in cargo of coffee, with no passengers and no change in the crew personnel; on the same date the British steamship *Norse Prince*, for New York, in cargo of coffee, with no passengers from this port and with 2 new members of the crew signed on here; March 13, the British steamship *Lord Antrim*, for Philadelphia, with a cargo of manganese ore, and with no passengers and no change in the crew personnel, and on the same date the Brazilian steamship *Sergipe*, for New York via 8 Brazilian northern ports, with cargo of coffee and 22 cabin and 21 steerage passengers, and with an entire new crew in this, the home port, all of whom were vaccinated or revaccinated.

NOTE.—The steamship *Queen Eleanor* left without inspection.

*Plague in Chile.*—A press dispatch of March 17 from Santiago, Chile, states that plague has assumed alarming proportions in the cities of Magillones and Antofagasta. The measures for the suppression of this disease put in force by the health authorities have so far proved unsuccessful to abate the disease, and a large proportion of the population of these cities have fled.

*Mortality in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.*—Week ended March 14. Total estimated population, 811,443. Census population, 1907, 628,675. Total deaths, 276. No deaths from yellow fever or plague. No cases of yellow fever; 4 cases of plague. Smallpox caused 9 deaths, with 21 new reported cases, of which number 2 occurred in the suburbs. At the close of the week there were in the Hospital São Sebastião 39 cases of smallpox and 4 cases of plague under treatment.

## COSTA RICA.

*Reports from Limon, fruit port—Sanitary conditions.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon Goodman reports:

Week ended April 9. Estimated population, 8,000. General sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, good.